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Attorney's Docket No. 5470.107BDV3

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: Thorp, et al. Examiner: Arun K. Chakrabarti
Serial No.: 10/008,233 Group Art Unit: 1634
Filed: November 6, 2001
For: Electrochemical Detection of Nucleic Acid Hybridization

August 25, 2003

**Commissioner for Patents
Post Office Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450**

**PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
(37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a))**

1. This is a petition for an extension of time for a total period of three (3) months to respond to the Official Action dated February 24, 2003.
 2. A response in connection with the matter for which this extension is requested:

is filed herewith.

has been filed.

3. Applicant:

Claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

Does not claim small entity status.

4. Calculation of extension fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)-(d)):

<u>Total Months Requested</u>	<u>Fee For Other Than Small Entity</u>	<u>Fee for Small Entity</u>
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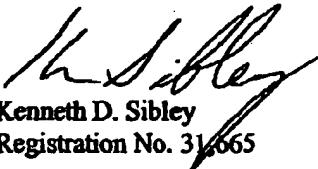
Fee Enclosed \$930.00

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- A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.
- Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038) is enclosed.
- Charge Deposit Account No. 50-0220 for any additional extension and/or fee required or credit for any excess fee paid.

Respectfully submitted,


Kenneth D. Sibley
Registration No. 314065

USPTO Customer Number 20792
Myers Bigel Sibley & Sajovec, P.A.
Post Office Box 37428
Raleigh, North Carolina 27627
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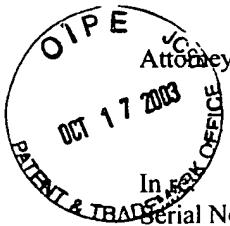
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For: ELECTROCHEMICAL DETECTION OF NUCLEIC ACID HYBRIDIZATION

October 10, 2003

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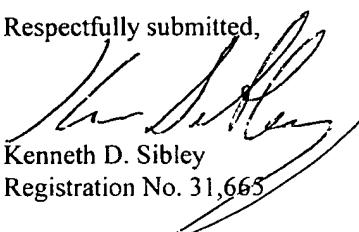
REQUEST FOR REFUND OF FEES

Applicants respectfully submit this Request for Refund of Fees pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.26 in the amount of \$1040.00. On August 25, 2003, Applicants submitted an Amendment and Response ("Response") and Petition and Fee for Extension of Time ("Extension"), as well as Check Number 504974 in the amount of \$930.00 to cover the three-month Extension fees in the above-identified application. Copies of the Extension and transmittal papers (including Certificates of Mailing Under 37 C.F.R. 1.8), the return-receipt post card stamped by the USPTO, and a copy of the cancelled check are enclosed.

As noted on the Deposit Account Statement of September 30, 2003 (copy enclosed), the USPTO incorrectly charged Deposit Account Number 50-0220 in the amounts of \$1040.00 for fees associated with the Extension in the above application.

In view of the enclosed copies of the Extension and transmittal papers, return-receipt post card, and cancelled check, Applicants submit that the Response and Extension were timely filed for a three-month extension of time, and no additional extension fees should have been charged. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit that the extension of time fee of \$1040.00 was erroneously charged and request a refund in the amount of \$1040.00 to Deposit Account No. 50-0220.

Respectfully submitted,


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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE; EXTENSION OF TIME; \$930
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Respectfully,
MYERS BIGEL SIBLEY & SAJOVEC, P.A.
Attorneys for Applicant

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Deposit Account Statement

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